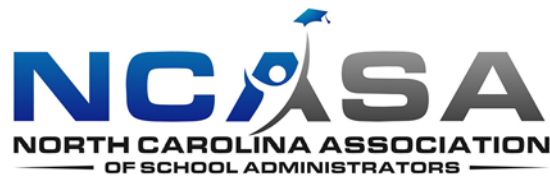




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Public School Budget Priorities for 2019

House and Senate proposals for the \$23.9 billion state budget in House Bill 966 differ significantly, including on numerous provisions and line items pertaining to public school funding and policies. While the education budget differences are too lengthy to list here, the following highlights some of the key priorities that the N.C. Association of School Administrators requests for inclusion in the final budget to support K-12 schools statewide.

- **Educator Compensation** – Provide the most significant increases that are affordable for the 2019-2021 biennium for all public school personnel, effective on the earliest possible date, with a special emphasis on the following:
 - **Teachers/Instructional Support** – Provide permanent increases for those with 15 or more years of experience.
 - **Principals** – Tie base pay to years of experience on the Teacher “A” Schedule plus 25% or more.
 - **Central Office & Non-Certified** – Provide increases equal to those of state employees, including any bonus leave days.
- **School Performance Grades** – Make the 15-point scale permanent; also, either adjust the weighting to 51% achievement and 49% growth or implement a study to determine whether this adjustment or other changes to the grade components would be most helpful for the public.
- **Instructional Supplies** – Create the new NC Classroom Supply Program as a separate allotment using \$15 million in new funding to allocate \$145 per teacher on the Class Wallet app; maintain the current \$47 million Instructional Supplies allotment for use by LEAs for district-wide needs, including but not limited to copy paper, copier contracts, staples, paper clips, etc.
- **Cooperative Innovative High Schools** – Continue state funding for these early college programs beyond their first 3 years in operation to ensure they are affordable for all LEAs and students.
- **Public School Capital** – Maintain the authority for local boards of education to take county commissioners to court if local capital funding disputes are not resolved in mediation; also enhance the state investment in public school capital through a combination of a statewide bond referendum and a pay-as-you-go plan utilizing the new State Capital and Infrastructure Fund.

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